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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of:

Casey D. MORROW, et al.

Serial No.: 09/756,551

Filing Date: 8 January 2001

For: ENCAPSIDATED RECOMBINANT POLIOVIRUS NUCLEIC ACID AND

METHODS OF MAKING AND USING SAME

Examiner: Joseph T. Woitach

Group Art Unit: 1632

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 29 July 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 29 October 2003. A petition for an extension of time of two (2) months until 29 December 2003 is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The pending claims, claims 49-63 were rejected on formal grounds. It is believed that the enclosed amendment and terminal disclaimers are responsive. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections is respectfully requested.